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WHY

Law Officers Are Universally Known as Policemen.

In ye olden days the law officer in England whose duty it was to apprehend criminals, was known as "the catch-pole" because of a peculiar instrument he used to catch criminals by the neck.

The pole was about six feet long and the collar was slightly flexible, and in "catch-poles" used on serious offenders the collar was studded with spikes on the inside.

While such instruments were being used in England, the French had adapted the name "police" from a long line of language ancestors, beginning with the Greek word for "state."

From the Greek the word was transferred to the German "polizei," and by the Italians as "polizia." The French corrupted it into police, and as such it was finally adopted by the English and eventually found its way to America as the term for officials entrusted with enforcing the laws of the state.

As late as 1720 the word was still considered foreign by English writers, and it was not until many years after that it came into common usage.

Other countries still use different names for law enforcement officers. The military police of Italy, for instance, are known as sbirri, and in France they are called gendarmes.

Americans, as usual, are not content with calling policemen simply police, and have invented a number of nicknames, such as "copper," which came supposedly from the fact that many police wore copper buttons on their uniforms, and "dicks," slang shortening for detective.—Chicago American.

LIKE THE PREFERRED STOCK

Why Experienced Investors Prefer That Form of Security to Old Form of Bond Issues.

A. B. Farquhar in his memoirs, in System, tells how the idea of preferred stock originated a good many years ago when corporate organization was less general than it is today.

"The preferred stock was devised by the longer-headed corporate organizers, who saw that in the case of an industrial organization an issue of bonds constituted a danger, for the interest had to be paid whether or not any profitable business was done. A company was safer with the preferred stock issue than with the bond issue, which generally involves a mortgage."

"But it was not until very recent years that more astute investors really began to appreciate the fact that the preferred stock of a company without bond issues is sometimes a better security than would be a bond of the same company. It took a long time to get away from the real-estate mortgage idea and to realize that an investor could in any event get a return only from what the corporation earned, and that a perfectly sound corporation might, by reason of a couple of bad years, be forced to borrow money to avoid a default in bond interest, and thus invite a failure that would not occur if it had been permitted to husband its resources through the passing of stock dividends. For a foreclosure sale of a big property rarely fetches 100 per cent cash. As a rule, however, the first mortgage bonds of good companies which have been in successful operation for some time and earned several times their interest charges are rightly regarded as safer investments than stocks."

Why Is a Curly Head?

This question is asked thousands of times, but never stays answered. Yet the answer is simple—if you know the secret. The twist in an African negro's hair, for instance, tends to keep him cool during the heat of the sun. Examine the furs of the different animals and it will be seen that those with straight-haired pelts live in the northern sections of the world, while those with curly fur come from the warmer climates. In the same way those which have white hair come from the region of snow and ice, while those with black or brown hair inhabit the more temperate climates. The explanation is that the fur of the northern animals is intended principally to keep its wearers warm, and that of the animals which live in tropical climates is to protect them from the direct rays of the sun—this result being accomplished by the curls and kinks of the black or brown fur.

Why Face Is Uplifted.

Holding the head upward in rather a strained position has nothing to do with vision. The real reason is to be found partly in the effort of strained attention natural in such circumstances, partly in the instinctive attempt to make the greatest possible use of the senses that are left, that of touch excited by contact of the air as it meets the face, and that of smell. The sniffing to catch some faint odor is always accompanied by an uplifted face. It begins with this and soon unconsciously becomes a habit.

HALF BILLION LOST TO STOCK SHARPERS

Americans Duped Out of Huge Sum in the Last Year.

Half a billion dollars was lost to the American people in the last year through fraudulent stock and oil deals and other swindles.

Think of it! This vast amount of money taken from the arteries of legitimate trade and industry and converted to the nefarious uses of unprincipled men who live upon the gullibility of the people!

The savings division of the Treasury department has this to say on the subject:

"You may not know it, but some-

body has been cheating you out of more than \$4.50 a year. They have been doing it by selling fraudulent and worthless stocks to the American people. You personally may not have bought a share of these offerings by unscrupulous promoters, but the fact remains that half a billion dollars has been lost by your fellow countrymen through these 'insecurities.'

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Only 8 Per Cent of World's Savers Are Americans; French Thriftiest

Notwithstanding the fact almost 30 per cent of the world's savers are in this country and that the average depositor in the United States has a greater sum to his credit than his neighbor overseas, only 8 per cent of the total number of the world's savers are Americans.

In proportion to population, a number of foreign countries exceed this nation in numbers of depositors, according to a statement given out by the savings division of the United States Treasury department.

Through centuries of struggle for mere existence, many European peoples have been trained to the most rigid economy, while Americans have found the fight for a livelihood a comparatively easy matter. Until quite recently, the average American family operated on the plan of "paying expenses first and saving what's left—if there is anything left."

In France, one out of every five inhabitants has a savings account. The economy of the French people has been their protection against the "death thrusts of centuries." The thrift and economy of the French people is given a high place in the winning of the World War.

One of the objects of the savings division of the United States Treasury department is to increase the number of savers in this country, and the government is offering the safest and most profitable means to help the people along to independence. It is offering securities, backed by the full strength of the nation, in denominations attractive to rich and poor alike. Twenty-five-cent Thrift Stamps, \$1 Treasury Savings Stamps, \$5 War Savings Stamps and the \$25, \$100 and \$1,000 Treasury Savings Certificates represent the savings securities available at any time.



Building the weather out is fully as important as maintaining a fire in the furnace. In the old days when we scorched our faces and froze our backs at the open fireplace, we went shivering to bed and breathed icicles on the coverlid.

"It was common practice," says Mr. Frank Baackes, Vice Pres. American Steel and Wire Co., "to bank the foundations with manure boxes to keep the cellar from freezing and to put on storm windows and yet the cold whistled through every crack and crevice in the weather boards and around the door frames."

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OWOSSO MARKETS.

Owosso, Mich., July 29, 1921.

GRAINS

Wheat, white.....	1 04
Wheat, red.....	1 09
Oats.....	34
Rye.....	1 05
Barley.....	1 10
Corn.....	50
Beans.....	2 75
Cloverseed, Alsike.....	10.00 to 12.00
Cloverseed, June.....	\$10.00 to 12.00
Cloverseed, Mammoth.....	\$10.00 to 12.00
Hay.....	\$10 to \$12.00

DRESSED MEATS

Quoted by Bowers & Metzger.

Beef, dressed.....	14 to 15
Calves, dressed.....	14-15
Pork dressed.....	13
Tallow.....	2 1/2

HIDES

Beef hides, green.....	3
" cured.....	5
Calf hides.....	7
Horse hides, each.....	\$2.00

PRODUCE, VEGETABLES, FRUITS

Butter.....	37
Eggs.....	28
Potatoes.....	1 00

LIVE POULTRY

Quoted by Randall Bros.

Hens, fat.....	22
Butter Fat.....	44
Eggs.....	28

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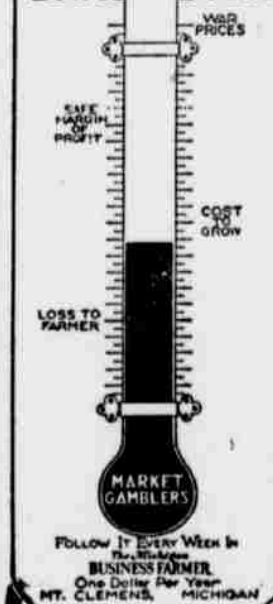
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